

St Mary's School, Mosgiel Newsletter



Mission Statement—**St Mary's is a Catholic School dedicated** to the provision of the highest quality primary education with a special emphasis of Catholic values and attitudes.

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Term 1 Week 3

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Dear Parents, Caregivers and Friends of St Mary's School,

It was written by a famous author that all of us are standing on the earth but some of us are reaching for the stars.

When you think about this, I think that we would all agree that anyone who achieves anything always aims high, and of course this is especially true in education. We, and I speak as a parent here, all have great ambitions for our children.

Right from birth we have dreams and aspirations for them, but having dreams, reaching for the stars, is only half the battle. Once we have our dream we often have to work hard, to make it a reality and it is the same with our child's education.

Those times when we are busy and it would be easy to just not hear the reading tonight or leave that project until tomorrow. But when we do listen and help and organize their projects, these are the times that help our children to achieve their potential and reach the stars.

At St Mary's we try to be realistic about the amount of work that we give our pupils to complete at home. We take into account the busy lives and the many extra-curricular activities that children have these days, but the work that is given is important and necessary, so please ensure that you support your child and enable them to complete this work. As well as the extra knowledge this home support helps them to attain and the attitude and values that they learn, will enable them to reach their star.

**Have a great week,
Mike Brosnahan.**

Whanau Picnic and Games on Friday



Our Vision : Confident, reflective, risk-taking, lifelong learners in a Catholic School.

Dates for 2012

February	
Thursday 16th	Fish & Chip Night 5.30pm BOT Meeting 7.30pm
Wednesday 22nd	Ash Wednesday Mass 9.15
Friday 24th	Assembly Room 7, 2.20pm
Monday 27th	Junior Swimming starts
March	
Thursday 1st	PTA AGM 7pm
Friday 23rd	Assembly Room 6, 2.20pm
April 5th	Easter Assembly

PTA Notices:

Fish & Chip Night

—This Thursday 16th from 5.30pm

Bring along your takaways to have at school. We will hope for a warm night to eat and play outside on the courts. If it too cold we will eat in the foyer area.

Please come along to meet and welcome all the new families that have joined our school community over the last year.

PTA AGM Thursday 1st March

Starting at 7pm with a Guest Speaker, at 7.30pm we will have a tea break then onto the AGM at 7.45pm. Please come along and support the PTA. New members are very welcome.



Altar Servers Sunday 19th February

Alex Dodson

A thought for the week...

Ones mind, once stretched by a new idea, never regains its original dimensions.

Oliver Wendell Holmes

Stationery Lists

The bottom section of the stationery list have the costs to be paid to the school office, ie some senior classes have Maths Mates, Junior children have swimming etc, these costs are all listed.

Please pay this to the school office by the end of February, as the school has to pay these costs on your behalf.

St Mary's Mini Sox T Ball Team



Lunches

Monte Carolo Lunch orders are available on Friday only.

Smart Lunches are available Monday to Thursday, the cost is \$3.50 or \$4.50 –larger size.

In the winter terms Smart Lunches have a hot lunch option on a Wednesday, this will be advertised when they start.

Envelope with name/order and money to the school office by 9am.

School Dress Code:

Please remember that as well as a school uniform we also have a dress code, this covers the appearance of our pupils along side the uniform expectations, that is hair, jewellery, makeup etc. Our dress code stipulates that pupils can wear one small stud in the lobe of each ear.

Please ensure that your child follows this code.

This is a health and safety matter as rings can get caught in things when children are playing and their ear damaged.

The school dress code is displayed on the notice-board in the foyer.

Mosgiel Junior Soccer Club Registrations 2012

New Registration Process – Online at www.mjfc.sportingpulse.net then select junior registration form. 7th Grade to Youth Grade are required to register online before the 6th March to guarantee a place in a team.

Midget players and anyone without a computer can register on Monday 6th March **6pm – 8pm at Memorial Park Clubrooms. Eftpos available.**

Subs: 1 child : \$75

2 children: \$120 (= \$75 + \$45)

3 children: \$140 (= \$75 + \$45 + 20)

Midgets \$35 (Midgets: free ball), Socks \$7

Any questions contact: Craig Whitson 4895644,
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Opening School Mass

Thank you to the following pupils who participated in the liturgy last Thursday:

India Dougherty, Sophie Galliven, Rhys Farr, Parys Cadogan, Izak Wilson, Ella McKenzie, **Jack O'Neill, Benjamin Baines, Paige O'Brien,** Josh Illingworth, Laura Bungard, Anahera Reynolds, Michaela Sutherland, Ryan Hanrahan, Lorie Parker, Jayden Grindley, Sinead Illingworth, Nadia Kerr, Kyle Burns, Jayden Grindley, Emma Hyde, Caitlin Anderton.

